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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)	Group Art Unit: 2825
David C. CHAPMAN)	Examiner: A. Thompson
Serial No. 09/421,437)	
Filed October 19, 1999)	
For: APPROACH FOR ROUTING AN INTEGRAT	ED	CIRCUIT
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AGENDA FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

In preparation for a telephone interview scheduled for 4pm (EST) on Monday, August 27, 2001, between the Examiner, Attorney for the Applicant Edward A. Becker and Applicant David C. Chapman, the following issues are presented for discussion:

- 1. Claim 1: Differences between the routing indicators required by Claim 1 and the flags and integer bits of Adler.
- 2. Claim 21: Differences between the layout object specific time-varying design rule check required by Claim 21 and the incremental design rule checker of Suzuki.
- 3. Claim 23: Differences between the single step routing approach of Claim 23 and the routing approach using net length constraints of *Xiong*.

Respectfully submitted,

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